

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin
Rev. John O’Kane, Pastor of the Parishes of St. James & St. Isaac Jogues
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4th Sunday of Lent, March 11, 2018
5th Sunday of Lent, March 18, 2018

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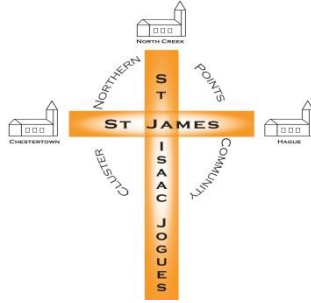
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ESTATE PLANNING

Please consider continuing your support of your Churches,
Parish of St. Isaac Jogues or St. James Church, in your estate plan.
Your generosity will be remembered annually in our Book of Life.

Weekend Mass Schedule

4:00 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. James, North Creek

8:00 am, Sunday, St. James Church, North Creek

9:30 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

11:00 am, Sunday, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

Mass at one of our Sister churches? Please designate your offertory for your own Parish.

Weekday Mass Schedule

1:30 pm, Monday, Elderwood At North Creek

9:00 am, Wednesday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Reminder: There is no daily morning Mass when school is canceled or delayed.

Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fast & abstinence.

“Abstinence” is to abstain from meat.

“Fasting” means not eating in-between meals and only having one main meal with two smaller meals not equaling the main meal.

Also, the custom in our Diocese is to observe Lenten Fridays as days of abstinence.

Those ages 18 to 59 are asked to fast and abstain on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Those ages 60 & over are asked to abstain on Ash Wednesday & all Fridays during Lent.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment

Hospital Visits

Please contact Fr. John if a parishioner is hospitalized or in a nursing home

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

Please call Fr. John at 518-824-1181

GOD, OUR LIGHT!

God's Son comes as a "light" to enable humankind to realize the great love and mercy of God. We need God—the loving parent, the compassionate physician, the good and wise friend—in the person of Jesus, in whom we discover our identity as children of God and participants with God in the work of re-creation. God so loves us that, by his grace, he recreates our darkest nights into the morning light of hope, by his wisdom, he transforms our Good Friday despair into Easter joy, and by his compassion, he heals our broken spirits into hearts made whole. *Living Liturgy 2018*

Cluster News

LENTEN PROGRAMS & SCHEDULES

Monday, March 12th Mass, 5:15 pm,

1 hour of Adoration, followed with Lectio Divina Prayer, St. James, North Creek

Wednesday, March 21st, Soup/Supper, 5:15 pm, Brian Evers, Topic: "Reconciliation,"

St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

See the Lenten Flyer for additional programs

Second Collection: Weekend of March 18th: Easter Flower Collection

Retreat for Women: April 6th through April 8th: Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY. The Guest Director is Sr. Maureen Murphy, OP. This year's theme: "...and after these...a tiny whispering sound." (1Kg 19:12). Enjoy hours away from daily routine for rest, quiet, learning and reflection, inner healing, growth, prayer, and sharing. Individual or private consultation with any of the staff will be available. Open to all faiths and all ages. *Call Ginny Raymond @ 518-251-3515 for information.*

North Country Ministry

Judy Carr, 251-4460 or 623-2829 www.NorthCountryMinistry.org

Save the Date: Friday, April 20th, The Gala, Fort William Henry Conference Center. Call 518-623-2829 for additional information.

Gluten Free Food is available in all Food Pantries.

Priory News (518-494-3733)

www.prioryretreathouse.org

Vespers at the Priory: Wednesdays, 5:30 pm: *Open to the public:* Potluck Supper, Scripture study, preceded by 20 minutes of Stillness Meditation & Communal recitation of the Jesus Prayer at 5:10 pm. (*Donation*).

March Guided Weekend Retreat: Fridays—Sundays: Mar. 16-18/ Apr 27-29: Spiritual direction, community prayer, meals & accommodations. Call for additional information. \$225 individual

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 3/17 People of the Parish 5:30 pm

Sunday, 3/18 Jeff Baroudi Req/Joan & Burch Lloyd 8:00 am

Regular Offertory: Dec. 2017: \$4796 Dec. 2016: \$3917

Jan. 2017: \$3237 Jan. 2016: \$5093

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

St. Patrick's Day Dinner: Saturday, March 17th, 5 pm. A sign-up sheet is available in the back of church.

Easter Food Baskets: Our Food Basket Ministry will be accepting donations of food and money as Easter approaches. Your help is needed to provide Easter food baskets for local families in need. We welcome any non-perishable food. Call the office if you know of anyone who would need a food basket for Easter. These names will be kept in strictest confidence.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 3/17 People of the Parish 4:00 pm

Sunday, 3/18 People of the Parish 9:30 am

Regular Offertory: Dec. 2017: \$12055 Dec. 2016: \$6894

Jan. 2017: \$5823 Jan. 2016: \$9508